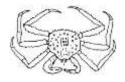
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COMMERCIAL GOLDEN KING CRAB ANNOUNCEMENT EAST CENTRAL AREA CLOSURE DATE

Douglas . . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game (department) announced today that the commercial golden king crab fishery in the East Central Area will close at 12:00 p.m. on **Monday, May 6, 2013**.

The department will continue to monitor golden king crab harvest levels in the remaining four open areas. Permit holders are reminded that call-in requirements remain in effect for all current registrants. Permit holders are also requested to notify the department when they change areas or cease fishing.

A vessel may leave gear in a stored condition for five days after the closure of a portion of Registration Area A [5 AAC 34.127(2)]. All gear must be removed from the East Central Area no later than 12:00 pm on Saturday, May 11, 2013. A table showing harvest by fishing area will appear in a future news release.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1C0813.

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